

The juxtaposition of these elements in section 824 makes the provision essentially unworkable. I have been assured that this provision will be corrected in a manner acceptable to the Administration at the earliest possible date. Pending these corrections, and particularly in light of the constitutional problems, I will interpret the statute as providing me discretion to make the determinations provided for in this section.

Finally, section 134 provides that whenever the Department of State enters into a lease-purchase agreement involving foreign countries, the Department shall account for such transactions "in accordance with fiscal year obligations." The Administration's interpretation is that this provision does not waive the scoring rules governing lease-purchases under the Budget Enforcement Act of 1990.

William J. Clinton

The White House,
April 30, 1994.

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Proclamation 6679—Law Day, U.S.A., 1994

April 30, 1994

*By the President of the United States
of America*

A Proclamation

In 1961, when President John F. Kennedy first proclaimed Law Day, U.S.A., he urged "Americans to rededicate themselves to the ideals of equality and justice under law in their relations with each other and with other nations. . . ."

President Kennedy's challenge is no less urgent today. We live in a time when nations around the globe are struggling to break free from the darkness of oppression into the light of law and justice. To many of the people of these countries, the American rule of law stands as a bright beacon guiding the way to a hopeful future. Law Day, U.S.A., offers every American the opportunity to reflect upon our Nation's proud example of respect for the rights of individuals. More than that, this day demands that we reaffirm our com-

mitment to maintaining a just and civil society in a rapidly changing world.

With the triumph of democratic governments and judiciaries around the world, it seems particularly disturbing that our own legal system is tested daily by the epidemic of crime and violence here at home. In America today, too many children must pass through metal detectors to go to school. Too many are approached by drug dealers in public parks, or worry that they will be victims of drive-by shootings. The primary responsibility of government is to protect the freedom of its citizens and to keep them safe from harm. Our tradition of jurisprudence is the powerful embodiment of this ideal. But it is up to each of us to help ensure that this system remains true to its essential mission—freeing our people from fear while protecting the liberties and rights of all.

On this day, I urge every American to support those who fight to promote respect for the law, from police officers, judges, and other members of the legal system to parents, teachers, and clergy. Let us find the strength to insist that law prevails over disorder, equality over discrimination, and justice over crime and prejudice. Let reverence for the laws, in the words of President Abraham Lincoln, "be taught in schools, in seminaries, and in colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books, and in almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in the courts of justice. . . ."

Now, Therefore, I, William J. Clinton, President of the United States of America, in accordance with Public Law 87-20 of April 7, 1961, do hereby proclaim May 1, 1994, as "Law Day, U.S.A." I request the people of the United States to observe this day with such ceremonies and observances as will suitably signal our heritage of freedom, our rights under law, and our abiding commitment to assist others in vindicating their rights.

I urge members of the legal profession, civic associations, and the media, as well as educators, librarians, and public officials, to promote this observance through appropriate programs and activities. I further call upon all public officials to display the flag of the United States on all government buildings on

Law Day, U.S.A., as a symbol of our dedication to the rule of government under law.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and eighteenth.

William J. Clinton

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Proclamation 6680—Loyalty Day, 1994

April 30, 1994

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Each year, at the height of spring's renewal, Americans take the time to reaffirm our allegiance to our country and to the ideals upon which it was founded. On this "Loyalty Day," we pledge to defend the blessings of American democracy.

Ours is still a relatively young Nation, but even in our brief history, we have seen many other forms of government come and go. We have witnessed the collapse of dictatorial regimes, while our brand of democracy has continued to evolve and flourish. Rather than establishing government control through the deprivation of basic human rights, our founders realized that individual freedom and the right to self-determination are the most powerful sources of national strength. This philosophy forms the bedrock upon which our Nation is built, and we continue to expand and enforce its wise mandate to this very day.

Generations of Americans have demonstrated their loyalty and devotion to this country, many risking their lives for the sake of defending the common good. To ensure that this loyalty and love of country remain a vibrant part of each new generation, the Congress, by a joint resolution approved July 18, 1958 (72 Stat. 369; 36 U.S.C. 162), has

designated May 1 of each year as "Loyalty Day."

Now, Therefore, I, William J. Clinton, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim May 1, 1994, as Loyalty Day. I call upon all Americans to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities, including public recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States. I also call upon government officials to display the flag on all government buildings and grounds on this day.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and eighteenth.

William J. Clinton

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Proclamation 6681—Small Business Week, 1994

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By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Small businesses create many new jobs in the United States and are an important part of our Nation's international competitiveness. Today, America's 20 million small businesses remain at the heart of our economy. These companies are the engines of growth, and it is in small business that people continue to find opportunity, pride, and dignity.

Indeed, small business is the lifeblood of America's free enterprise system. This is the sector that creates two of every three new jobs in our country, putting the American Dream within reach of hundreds of thousands of men and women who provide the variety and ingenuity that are our greatest natural resources. Small businesses employ more than 57 percent of the private U.S. work force, account for 54 percent of all